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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD
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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed

August 8, 2003 rejecting claims 1 - 21.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of

other than a small entity.
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is attached
 was already filed on _____

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(e) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

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3. EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE: The time periods set forth in 37 CFR 1.191 are subject to the provision of § 1.136 for patent applications 37 CFR 1.191(d). (But see 37 CFR 1.645 for extension of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550© for extension of time in reexamination proceedings).

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)) for the total number of months checked below:

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<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
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If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.

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An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$_____

or

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

4. TOTAL FEE DUE

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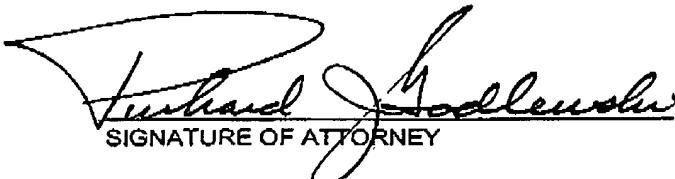
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